## AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 3, lines 33-35 as follows:

Preferably, means <u>60</u> is provided for using AC or DC current, or magnetic force to re-enforce or neutralise a given Zeta potential on either contaminates, media, or fluid being filtered.

## STATUS OF AND AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (original): A radial or crossflow media filter comprising a housing containing filter media, a contaminated flow inlet and a discharge outlet, the contaminated flow inlet comprising a manifold situated within the housing, the manifold having a flow outlet which directs flow laterally, away from the discharge outlet, and a discharge chamber situated within the housing upstream of the discharge outlet, the discharge chamber containing a second filter media which is of a larger average particle size than the rest of the filter media in the housing.
- 2. (original): A filter as claimed in claim 1 in which the flow outlet is directed towards a sidewall of the housing.
- 3. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 in which the manifold is provided with a plurality of flow outlets.
- 4. (canceled)
- 5. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 in which the flow inlet comprises a substantially vertically aligned elongate manifold with a plurality of flow distribution outlets disposed along its length.
- 6. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 in which the discharge chamber surrounds the discharge outlet.
- 7. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 in which the discharge chamber is formed from a filter screen.
- 8. (original): A filter as claimed in claim 7 in which the filter screen tapers inwardly towards the bottom of the housing.

- 9. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 further comprising\_a fluidising unit in the base of the housing to fluidise the filter media and contaminants.
- 10. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 further comprising\_a fluidising unit in the discharge chamber to fluidise the filter media and contaminants in the discharge chamber.
- 11. (previously presented): A filter as claimed claim 1 further comprising a tubular ultrasonic unit.
- 12. (previously presented): A filter as claimed claim 1 further comprising a heating unit.
- 13. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 1 further comprising means for applying AC or DC current and/or magnetic force to the filter media and/or contaminants present in the filter media and/or fluid being filtered.

## 14. (canceled)

- 15. (previously presented): A radial or crossflow media filter comprising a housing containing filter media, a contaminated flow inlet and a discharge outlet, the contaminated flow inlet comprising a manifold situated within the housing, the manifold having a flow outlet which directs flow laterally, away from the discharge outlet, and a discharge chamber situated within the housing upstream of the discharge outlet, the discharge chamber being formed from a filter screen and surrounding the discharge outlet, where the discharge chamber contains a second filter media which is of a larger average particle size than the rest of the filter media in the housing.
- 16. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 15 in which the flow outlet is directed towards a sidewall of the housing.

- 17. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 15 further comprising a fluidising unit in the base of the housing to fluidise the filter media and contaminants.
- 18. (previously presented): A filter as claimed in claim 15 further comprising a fluidising unit in the discharge chamber to fluidise the filter media and contaminants in the discharge chamber.
- 19. (previously presented): A method for treating contaminated flow comprising: providing a radial or crossflow media filter comprising a housing containing filter media, a contaminated flow inlet and a discharge outlet, the contaminated flow inlet comprising a manifold situated within the housing, the manifold having a flow outlet which directs flow laterally, away from the discharge outlet, and a discharge chamber situated within the housing upstream of the discharge outlet, the discharge chamber containing a second filter media which is of a larger average particle size than the rest of the filter media in the housing;

introducing contaminated flow into the contaminated flow inlet; contacting the flow with the filter media and the second filter media; and discharging cleaner flow through the discharge outlet.

- 20. (previously presented): The method for treating contaminated flow of claim 19 further comprising fluidising the filter media and contaminants.
- 21. (previously presented): The method for treating contaminated flow of claim 19 further comprising fluidising the filter media and contaminants in the discharge chamber.